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HOW TO SELECT A SWIMSUIT . . . for FASHION, for FIT and for COMFORT:

TRENDS: On Its Way In . . .

Last year's revolutionary Hourglass or bloomer . . . still Big news for '54 . . . The glitter and glow via stones and pearls, yes, honest . . . The coral family and deep turquoise . . . two tops for the season . . . The oversized beachtowel, smartest when interpreted in a colorful, abstract print . . . The return of the little boy short, one piece, of course. Fabulous fabrics, truly new and delightfully different, like lurex (it won't tarnish) metallic cloth, rich embroideries and exotic brocades . . .

LOOK For: The suit with the "inside story." A smart suit on the counter is a smart suit on the figure only if it improves the appearance! This is almost always achieved by "inner construction" . . .

LOOK for the suit with the separate (but attached) built in bra, skillfully contrived to give you the maximum comfort and flattery. Best in broadcloth, because it retains its shape longer . . . Look for the inner "tummy contour" panel, that serves the purpose of a light weight panty girdle . . . Check to see that your choice is cut longer in the back, and contoured, so that it will not ride up, thus avoiding that unsightly yanking and tugging . . . A fashion-conscious creation will always have a stay inserted in the zipper panel to hold the suit up, in place and smooth against the body.

Certainly there is merit in the number that features versatility . . . one that can be worn with or without straps . . . Personally prefer one with the straps attached, that can be tucked in, so that they are always there, not home or lost, when needed . . .

IF YOU: have a hip or thigh problem, consider the boy short, so very kind to the ample. If you are not-so-large at the top, look long at the petal bodice, or the cuffed . . . always deceiving. If you are a "serious swimmer" seek the sleek-as-a-seal maillot (the suit without a skirt). This is endorsed by those who prefer the sea to the sand for there is no skirt to hamper their speed in the water. If you are VERY long or VERY short, don't go near the water until you have tried the shirred suit, that is adjustable to all lengths. This is truly the answer to a mermaid's prayer and a pretty one. With its magic-like length, this silhouette has six inches of added fabric shirred right into the torso in order to conform to any size and shape . . .

AND AFTERWARD: Treasure and care for your swimsuit as you would any other fine garment. Avoid pulling it on by way of the fingernail. This means quick death to any self respecting fabric . . . Rinse the suit after, soon after, shedding. Avoid energetic wringing . . . squeeze gently or allow to drip dry.



Dixie Lee Photo
MISS SHIRLEY CLARK
Engaged to Marry

Clark, Brown Plight Troth

A fall wedding is in the offing for Miss Shirley Clark, daughter of the Charles Clarks, 21836 S. Figueroa Blvd., and Lonnie Brown, son of the Andrew Brown, 15811 Halldale Ave., Gardena.

The bride-elect, who graduated from Banning High School last February, is currently employed at National Supply Co. Her fiancé, 32 graduate of Gardena High School, is with a major appliance service company in Los Angeles. While in high school he was affiliated with Knights in senior boys' organization, and wrote sports news for the Gardena Tribune and Long Beach Press Telegram.



(Herald Photo)
FIRST BITE . . . Mrs. J. D. Uken, 1617 Beech Ave., feeds her husband the first piece of their anniversary cake at a surprise party at their home Wednesday evening. Event commemorated the pair's 40th year of marriage.

Sun-tan Secondary To School, Job for Most Local Coeds

By BARBARA JACKSON

Sun tans and summer fun will take second place for most of the Torrance girls returning from college this week. Coming home from as far off as Oregon and as close as Los Angeles, these Torrance misses will rest a few days and then begin travel, summer school or their summer job. The last days of August will see them again packing their clothes for another year at school.

"Only one more year and I'll graduate," said Miss Erma Cary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Carsons, 1452 Post Ave. Erma will counsel at a camp near Carmel this summer before completing her physical education major at Occidental College next year. She was president of the Women's Athletic Association and her dormitory this year.

Returning to her Carson St. home this week was Miss Mickey Van Deventer from Redlands University. Mickey will be a sophomore next year, and was tapped for Spurs, national sophomore women's honorary, recently. She gained experience in her music education field this year by singing in the choir and doing the choreography for the Redlands Drama Fiesta. Walteria children will find Mickey fun to work with at the recreation center this summer.

Another Redlands student and member of Spurs is Miss Carolyn Chapman, who will work in Gardena. Carolyn also plans to do some swimming this summer. She is the daughter of the C. E. Chappmans, 1207 Fonthill Ave. Miss Loretta Carol Vonderahe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Vonderahe, of 1452 Engracia Ave. who recently graduated from St. Mary's Academy in Los Angeles, plans to find an office job this summer. Next year will find her at El Camino College training to become a le-

gal secretary or a laboratory technician.

A February, 1955 graduate from Pepperdine College will be Mrs. Newton Metfessel (nee Elaine Rehwoldt), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rehwoldt, 1601 El Prado. Elaine will take courses in elementary education at summer school. She found time this year to take the lead part in "Hansel and Gretel," Pepperdine's Christmas opera.

Teresita Pines will be the summer home of camp counselor Miss Elizabeth Weber, a 1954 graduate of St. Mary's Academy. Next year "Betty" plans to enter El Camino and take a liberal arts course. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cyril N. Weber, 1610 Date Ave.

Education is the major of Whittier College student Miss Alicia Loranger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Loranger, 1448 Post Ave. Alicia will work for the recreation department in Walteria this summer. She is a member of the Palmer's Society at Whittier.

Another recreation director this summer will be Miss Ann Stephens, who also attends Whittier. Ann will be a junior next fall and is majoring in elementary education. She is a member of the Athenian Society.

Her sister, Miss Joan Stephens, returned to their CCMO home from the University of Southern California. A new sophomore, Joan is a member of Alpha Delta Pi, majoring in elementary education. Her plans for the summer are indefinite.

From Salem, Oregon Miss JoAnn Benard traveled to her Engracia Ave. home after completing her sophomore year at Willamette University. JoAnn is working at Douglas Aircraft Co. this summer as a file clerk. Busy with many science courses at school, she also finds time to be an active member of her sorority, Pi Beta Phi.

A sister member of Pi Beta Phi at Santa Barbara is sophomore Miss Marca Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wright, 1532 El Prado. Play-ground work will claim Marca this summer, who will be a recreation director. Marca was a finalist in the "Miss Santa Barbara" contest this year, sponsored by Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Miss Jeanne Whitten, soon to be a sophomore at Whittier College, will work in the recreation department at Crenshaw. Jeanne is also majoring in elementary education at school.

New England scenery will be viewed by Miss Sharon Felker during her summer trip with her mother, Mrs. Laura Felker and her sister Andrea. Sharon, a recent graduate of St. Marys Academy, plans to enter El Camino next year.

Another Santa Barbara student who will return to Torrance this week is Miss Charlene Grace, who will be a sophomore next year. Charlene plans to work at a playground or in an insurance office this summer.

St. Mary's will be next year's home for Miss Mary Schott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard M. Schott, 1407 Crenshaw Blvd. Mary is a 1954 graduate of St. Mary's Academy, and plans to begin preparation for a nurse's career in college. Her summer plans are indefinite.

Mrs. Salcido Takes Reins of Halldale PTA

New executives of the Halldale Ave. PTA were installed during the last meeting of the season held Thursday night at the school. Mrs. E. E. Salcido was seated for her second term as president by Mrs. W. L. Wilson, president-elect of the San Pedro-Wilmington Council.

Achievements of the group were revealed during a report by Mrs. William Overstreet, who read the complete historical report. Mrs. A. B. Tapia, historian, presented the record book of 1953-1954 to Mrs. Salcido during the program.

Entertainment for the meeting was provided by the fourth grade chorus under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Adams. Mrs. H. T. Seeman, past president of Halldale PTA and Mrs. Don Wolf, past president of the Lomita-San Pedro Council and 10th District Founder's Day chairman, were honored guests.

250 AT GRAD FETE



(Herald Photo)
ALL TIRED OUT . . . While teen-agers were still bubbling with energy in the wee hours Friday morning after an all-night graduation party, Elmer Moon, one of many chaperoning the festivities, was stretched out on a small settee resting his tired frame and at the same time keeping a weather eye out for any "mischief." About 250 THS seniors and their guests gathered for the evening of games, swimming, dancing, movies, and 4:30 a.m. breakfast at the Hollywood Riviera Clubhouse.



(Herald Photo)
FAST AND FURIOUS . . . Tireless teen-agers shake the floor of Hollywood Riviera Club with fast-moving "bunny hop."

Soroptimists Welcome 3

When Torrance-Gardena Soroptimist Club installs officers following an 8 o'clock dinner next Tuesday evening, June 15, at the Western Club, three new members introduced at last Tuesday's noon meeting will be among those witnessing the rites.

Neophytes in the club ranks are Lavilla McMillan of Torrance, who is supervisor of Pacific Telephone Co. here; Ruth Smith of Gardena, who works with her husband at the McMillan Funeral Home; and Margaret Herron of Gardena, who helps her husband at their Herron Shade Nursery.

Guest of honor at the luncheon was Edith Smith Carragher, charter president of the Harbor District Soroptimists, who will conduct the Tuesday installation.

LEGION AUXILIARY

Four Attend State Meet

Four members of the American Legion Auxiliary, Bert S. Crossland Unit 170, will attend the state convention in San Francisco next Monday through Thursday, June 21 through 24.

Delegates from the Torrance group are Ella Robinson, Merle Youngken, Alma Smith, and Persia Fess. The Auxiliary will install new officers, headed by Clara Conner, president, at ceremonies in the Legion Hall on June 29.



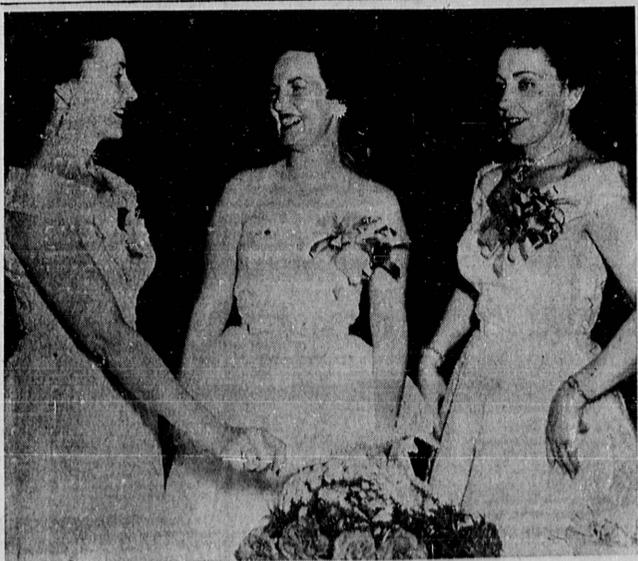
(Herald Photo)
MRS. E. E. SALCIDO
New Halldale PTA Prexy



(Herald Photo)
CHEEK TO CHEEK . . . Proving that all teen-agers aren't jitterbug-happy are Jerry Farrar and Myrna Bacon, among many couples crowding the dance floor when the orchestra played the romantic "Tenderly."



(Herald Photo)
THIRSTY . . . Getting a drink after a fast dance number is quite a problem for Peggy Wood, one of several guests joining THS seniors at the after-graduation party Thursday night. High heels off for comfort, she strikes pose to keep water splashes from spouting fountain off pretty clothes.



(Herald Photo)
WHICH ONE'S WHICH? . . . seems to be the problem of Mrs. J. A. Barrington, outgoing president of the Torrance Junior Woman's Club, center, as she and twin sisters admire table decorations at Wednesday's installation dinner. At right is Mrs. Park Dunford, past president of Los Angeles District, CFWC, who conducted the rites; sister, Mrs. Ellis Mendenhall, corresponding secretary of the District group, is at left.

Fete Pair on 40th Nuptial Anniversary

White bells, doves, and roses carried out the nuptial theme in cake decor last Wednesday evening when Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Uken, 1617 Beech Ave., were surprised with a party commemorating their 40th wedding anniversary.

Arranging the happy event for her parents was Mrs. Earl A. Prentiss of Big Bear Lake, Torrance residents attending included the Claude Coxes, C. W. Bensteads, Gil Derouins, J. Stroms, O. Staddens, Rev. and Mrs. Lealand Pisel, and Mrs. Hazel Ward, while from El Nido were the Ralph Baxters.

Others at the fete in addition to Mrs. Prentiss and her family were the E. L. Moultons and Floyd Coulters of Mar Vista; James McKnights of El Monte; Henry Parsons and Sharon of Venice; Everett Johnsons, E. L. Johnsons, and Mrs. Mary Johnson of El Monte.

W. W. JACKSONS PLAN TRIP SOUTH

Planning a five-weeks trip through the southern section of the United States are the W. W. Jacksons and children, Sara Ann, Kent, Janice, and JoBeth, 3480 Del Amo Blvd.

The local family will leave for Houston, Tex. next Saturday, June 21, and go on to tour Tennessee and Kentucky. Enroute home, they plan to visit their parents, the E. H. Beems of Homitage, Mo., and his mother, Mrs. W. J. Jackson of El Dorado Springs, Mo.

REMEDIAL READING FOR KIDS SLATED JUNE 21 TO JULY 30

Local children needing remedial reading instruction may obtain this aid at a six-week course from June 21 to July 30, sponsored by the Compton Council. A mother's conference for class enrollment will be held Monday June 21, 11 a.m., at N. 119 Pearl St., Compton, and classes will be held at the same address.